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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

IN RE THE APPLICATION OF: Joseph S. Bieganeck, Thomas R. Hetzel and Joan Padgitt

SERIAL NO: 10/628,890

DATE FILED: July 28, 2003

FOR: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR EVALUATING CLEARANCE FROM A CONTOURED SEAT CUSHION

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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- ☒ Amendment and Response to Final Office Action  
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FEES HAVE BEEN CALCULATED AS SHOWN BELOW:

	(COL. 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(COL. 2) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		(COL. 3) PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY			LARGE ENTITY	
					RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL:	44*	-	27	17**	X \$25 =	\$425.00	OR	X \$50 =	\$0.00
INDEP:	7*	-	3	4***	X \$100 =	\$400.00	OR	X \$200 =	\$0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					+ \$180 =		OR	+ \$360 =	
ADDITIONAL FEES					TOTAL:	\$825.00	OR	TOTAL:	\$0.00

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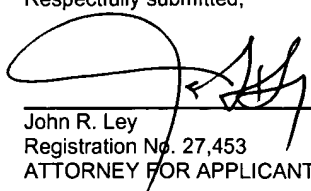
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- ☒ ANY FILING FEES UNDER 37 CFR 1.16 FOR THE PRESENTATION OF EXTRA CLAIMS.
- ☒ ANY PATENT APPLICATION PROCESSING FEES UNDER 37 CFR 1.17.

Dated at Greenwood Village, Colorado, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2005.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
under 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 9, 2005, please amend the application as set forth below in the three Parts of this Amendment and Response. The amendments are made to comply with the requirements of form set forth in the June 9, 2005 Office Action, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.116.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the paragraphs of the specification identified at item 1 of Part 1 in the manner shown by the markings.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1, 3 and 13.

Amend claims 2, 4-12, 14 and 17-26.

Add new claims 27-47.

Part 2 hereof presents the claims with markings to indicate the changes.

REMARKS:

Part 3 comments on the above amendments, and the Office Action.

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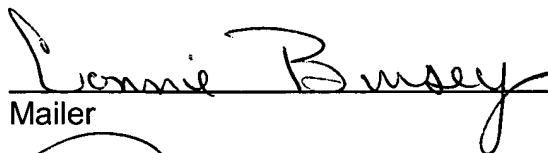
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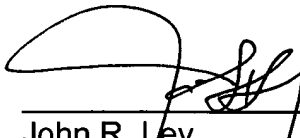
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The undersigned hereby certifies that the attached Amendment Transmittal Letter; Amendment and Response to Final Office Action; check in the amount of \$825.00; Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail; and Return Card, relating to the above application, were deposited as "Express Mail," Mailing Label No. EV616525943US, with the United States Postal Service, addressed to Mail Stop Amendments, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2005.

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